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***“Home of the Blue Jays”***

**UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES**

**August**

**August 7th**

Boosterthon Pep Rally

3:05 p.m.

**August 8th**

Student-Led

Open House

Tracks 1 + 2

6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

**August 16th**

Boosterthon Glow Run

11:30 a.m.

and

Track 2 Tracks Out!

Academic News

In Math, we have finished our first unit on graphing and data. We have looked at three types of graphs: bar graphs, line plots and frequency tables. We have learned that the term **data** means information and we have also discussed that there are categorical graphs as well as numerical graphs. We have been doing a really great job, working together in small groups and supporting each other! Our second unit involves place value, rounding strategies and multi-digit addition and subtraction. For support in using strategies we are learning in math for 4th grade, please visit my website at <http://falcone7.weebly.com>.

In Social Studies, we are learning about the history of North Carolina. The students started learning to think about what life was like before North Carolina was colonized. We have read and explored the impact that the Europeans had on the American Indians of North Carolina when they arrived. We will continue to explore the changes that were made to North Carolina as well as the way the cultures changed across the three regions: Mountain, Piedmont and Coastal.

In Reading, we are reading a poetry book called Love That Dog by Sharon Creech. It is a story, written in poem-form as a diary, about a boy named Jack who does not like to write poetry. We will be close reading and looking at the details of this story very closely as well as other poems. We have learned a lot of vocabulary such as **gist (what the poem is mostly about), theme (the lesson/moral of the poem), rhythm + meter (the beat of the poem), structure (groups of lines in a poem are called stanzas), and the rhyming.** We are doing great work! As we continue in this module, we will explore the inspiration of poets and write an original poem coming from our own inspirations!! I am looking forward to seeing this continue as we read more poetry and think deeply about the meaning behind it! 😊

***WEEKLY QUOTE***

***“You’re off to great places, today is your day. Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way.”***

* ***Dr. Seuss***

Noteworthy

**\*\*\* If you are interested in volunteering in the classroom, on a field trip, or at any**

**Sanford Creek event, please make sure that you have registered. Registration can take**

**some time to process, so please do this as soon as possible.**

**\*\*\* Please visit my website** [**http://falcone7.weebly.com**](http://falcone7.weebly.com) **for resources in reading and**

**math that can support your child in using strategies that we learn this year in 4th grade.**

**\*\*\* Reviewing multiplication facts is very important for students in 4th grade. Our math**

**curriculum involves many units such as multiplication, division, fractions, and factors**

**& multiples. Some strategies students will start to think about using are flash cards,**

**songs, repeated addition, etc. Please continue to practice these strategies with your**

**child 😊**

**\*\*\* If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to e-mail me at**

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